

## VEST NO. 2 #VESTNO2



### ABOUT VEST NO. 2

Vest No. 2 is an oversized slipover, inspired by classic menswear, and is perfect to wear on top of shirts and dresses.

The vest is knit top down. First you knit the top part of the back, then both front pieces. The yoke is closed to the round and the rest of the body is knit. Neckline and armhole opening borders are picked up from existing stitches and no final sewing is needed.

### SIZES

XS (S) M (L) XL

### MEASUREMENTS

Length (centre back): 68 (70) 73 (74) 75 cm

Chest measurement (circumference): 104 (109) 116 (123) 128 cm

### RECOMMENDED NEEDLES

Circular needle 5 mm (60, 80 or 100 cm)

Circular needle 4 mm (60, 80 or 100 cm)

### GAUGE

17 sts x 25 rows in stockinette stitch on needle 5 mm = 10 x 10 cm

### MATERIALS

50 (50) 75 (75) 75 g Cashmere lace from Gepard Yarn, 350 m / 25 g shown in colour 8114 B

#### together with...

150 (200) 200 (250) 250 g Dolce Vita from Laines du Nord, 200 m / 50 g shown in colour 06, sand.

Or...

75 (100) 100 (100) 150 g Kid Seta from Gepard Yarn, 210 m / 25 g

#### together with...

300 (300) 350 (350) 400 g Pura Lana from Gepard Yarn, 115 m / 50 g

The slipover is knit with 2 strands of yarn, one of each quality.

If you need to find alternates, choose one thread of light weight / DK yarn hold together with one thread of lace yarn.

## ABBREVIATIONS

st(s) = stitch(es)

k = knit

p = purl

tbl = through the back loop

rs = right side

ws = wrong side

stm = stitch marker

cf = center front.

## BEFORE YOU START

Please remember to knit a gauge swatch, before you start knitting your slipover. Only with a gauge swatch you can make sure, that the slipover's proportions turn out correct.

## Size guide

Vest No. 2 is a long slipover with an oversized fit to be worn with a positive ease of 20-25 cm measured around your chest.

As the vest is designed to be worn on top of a dress or combined with a shirt, you can advantageously take your measurements fully dressed.

## Composition

First you knit the back by casting on sts at the neck. The back part of the slipover is knit back and forth on circular needles. Thereafter, you pick up sts along the shoulder seam and both front pieces are knit separately. Then the back and both front pieces are knit onto the same circular needle and you continue knitting the body in stockinette st in the round. You'll finish the body with a ribbed hem. Thereafter, you pick up sts along armhole openings and the necklines and knit the ribbed borders directly onto the garment.

No final sewing is needed.

## Increases (M1):

The increases are knit, in a way so that they either slant to the right (M1R) or to the left (M1L). It's done as follows:

M1R: pick up the bar between 2 sts, by bringing the needle from back to front and knit the new st.

M1L: pick up the bar between 2 sts, by bringing the needle from front to back and knit the new st through the back loop (k tbl).

## BACK

Cast on 31 (33) 35 (37) 39 sts on needle 5 mm.

\*Purl 1 row. Cast on 5 (5) 6 (6) 7 new sts at the end of the row.

Knit 1 row. Cast on 5 (5) 6 (6) 7 new sts at the end of the row.\*

Repeat from \*-\* 2 times *in total*.

Purl 1 row. Cast on 6 (7) 7 (8) 7 new sts at the end of the row.

Knit 1 row. Cast on 6 (7) 7 (8) 7 new sts at the end of the row.

There are 63 (67) 73 (77) 81 sts on the needle.

The sts are divided as follows: 31 (33) 35 (37) 39 sts in the middle (center back) and 16 (17) 19 (20) 21 sts on each shoulder.

Knit back and forth in stockinette st over all sts, until your work measures 18 (19) 20 (21) 22 cm (measured from the shoulder's outmost point).

End with a ws-row.

You will know knit increases on both sides of your work to shape the armhole openings.

\*k1, M1R, k until 1 st left, M1L, k1.

Knit 3 rows in stockinette st\*

Repeat from \*-\* 3 times *in total*.

You have now added 6 new sts to your slipover.

There are 69 (73) 79 (83) 87 sts on the needle.

\*k1, M1R, k until 1 st left, M1L, k1.

Purl 1 row\*

Repeat from \*-\* 8 times *in total*.

You have now added another 16 new sts to your slipover.

There are 85 (89) 95 (99) 103 sts on the needle.

The following row (rs-row), cast on 2 (2) 2 (3) 3 new sts at the row's beginning, k over all sts and cast on another 2 (2) 2 (3) 3 sts at the row's end.

Purl 1 row.

There are 89 (93) 99 (105) 109 sts on the needle.

Cut the yarn and let your work rest, while you continue knitting both front pieces.

### **LEFT SHOULDER**

Pick up 16 (17) 19 (20) 21 sts *in between* the sts from the rs at the left shoulder (left side when wearing the slipover).

When picking up the sts in between the existing sts, you will get a nearly invisible shoulder seam.

*TIP! Are you not familiar with this method? Watch this video for further information: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ltM0GQrAcGI>*

Knit back and forth in stockinette st, until the shoulder piece measures 4 (4) 5 (5) 5 cm (measured from the side at the neckline). End with a ws-row.

You will now shape the neckline by increasing as follows:

\*k1, M1L, k the rest of the row.

Knit 3 rows in stockinette st\*

Repeat from \*-\* 10 (11) 12 (13) 14 times *in total*.

There are 26 (28) 31 (33) 35 sts on the needle.

You will now start knitting increases for shaping the left armhole opening, *while* continuing the increases along the neckline.

Knit as follows:

\*k1, M1L, knit all sts until 1 st left, M1L, k1.

Knit 3 rows in stockinette st\*

Repeat from \*-\* 3 times *in total*.

There are 32 (34) 37 (39) 41 sts on the needle and you've made 13 (14) 15 (16) 17 increases at the neckline and 3 at the armhole opening.

Continue knitting the increases along the neckline, while increasing *on every rs-row* along the armhole opening.

Knit as follows:

\*k1, M1L, knit all sts until 1 st left, M1L, k1.

Purl 1 row.

Knit all sts until 1 st left, M1L, k1.

Purl 1 row.\*

Repeat from \*-\* 2 times *in total*.

There are 38 (40) 43 (45) 47 sts on the needle and you've made 15 (16) 17 (18) 19 increases along the neckline and 7 increases along the armhole opening.

Cut the yarn and let your work rest.

You'll now start working on the right front piece.

### **RIGHT SHOULDER**

Pick up 16 (17) 19 (20) 21 sts *in between* the sts from the rs at the right shoulder (right side when wearing the slipover).

Knit back and forth in stockinette st, until the shoulder piece measures 4 (4) 5 (5) 5 cm (measured from the side at the neckline). End with a ws-row.

You will now shape the neckline by increasing as follows:

\*Knit all sts until 1 st left, M1R, k1.

Knit 3 rows in stockinette st\*

Repeat from \*-\* 10 (11) 12 (13) 14 times *in total*.

There are 26 (28) 31 (33) 35 sts on the needle.

You will now start knitting increases for shaping the left armhole opening, *while* continuing the increases along the neckline.

Knit as follows:

\*k1, M1R, knit all sts until 1 st left, M1R, k1.

Knit 3 rows in stockinette st\*

Repeat from \*-\* 3 times *in total*.

There are 32 (34) 37 (39) 41 sts on the needle and you've made 13 (14) 15 (16) 17 increases at the neckline and 3 at the armhole opening.

Continue knitting the increases along the neckline as usually, while increasing *on every rs-row* along the armhole opening.

Knit as follows:

\*k1, M1R, knit all sts until 1 st left, M1R, k1.

Purl 1 row.

Knit all sts until 1 st left, M1R, k1.

Purl 1 row.\*

Repeat from \*-\* 2 times *in total*.

There are 38 (40) 43 (45) 47 sts on the needle and you've made 15 (16) 17 (18) 19 increases along the neckline and 7 increases along the armhole opening.

### **FRONT**

You will now join both shoulders, while continuing knitting the increases along the armhole openings on both sides.

k1, M1R, knit all sts (left shoulder), cast on 1 st, now join the left shoulder part and knit all sts until 1 st left, M1L, k1.

Purl 1 row.

Continue knitting back and forth while doing further increases.

Knit as follows:

\*k1, M1R, knit all sts until 1 st left, M1L, k1.

Purl 1 row.\*

Repeat from \*-\* 3 times *in total*.

The following row (rs-row), cast on 2 (2) 2 (3) 3 new sts at the row's beginning, k over all sts and cast on another 2 (2) 2 (3) 3 sts at the row's end.  
Purl 1 row.

There are 89 (93) 99 (105) 109 sts on the needle.

### **BODY**

Front and back are now joined on the circular needle.



Knit all of the front-sts and continue onto knitting all back-sts. Place 1 stm.  
This stm marks the round's beginning.

There are 178 (186) 198 (210) 218 sts on the needle.

Continue knitting in stockinette st in the round, until your work measures 60 (62) 65 (67) 68 cm center back.

Change to needle 4 mm and knit rib \*k1, p1\* for 5 cm.

Cast off all sts with tubular bind off.

*TIP! Are you not familiar with the tubular bind off method?*

*Watch this video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FNbanlVzbxw>*

### **NECKLINE**

Pick up 136 (146) 154 (162) 172 sts along the neckline with needle 4 mm.

Pick up in approx. 3 out of 4 sts.

I.e.: Pick up in 3 sts, skip 1 st, pick up 3 sts etc.

Start at the left shoulder seam.

The sts should be divided as follows:

Left side of the neckline 52 (56) 59 (62) 66 sts, 1 st in the center st (at the bottom of the v-neck), right side of the neckline 52 (56) 59 (62) 66 sts, neck 31 (33) 35 (37) 39 sts.

Place a stm in the center front st. This st is mentioned as 'cf st' in the following description.

\*Knit in rib until 1 st before the cf st, s2kp (slip 2 sts *together*, knit 1, pass the slipped sts over)\*

*TIP! Here is how to do the s2kp:*

*<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8pMeb0V2v3o>*

Repeat from \*-\* until your ribbed hem measures 3 cm.

Cast off in rib.

### **SLEEVE BORDERS**

You will now knit the sleeve borders.

Start under the armhole opening and pick up 2 out of 3 sts on needle 4 mm.

I.e.: Pick up 2 sts, hop over 1 st, pick up 2 sts, etc.

There are approx. 96 (98) 100 (102) 104 sts on the needle.

Continue knitting rib \*k1, p1\* in the round until the border measures 3 cm.

Cast off all sts in rib and watch out to not cast off too loosely nor too tight.

Knit the 2<sup>nd</sup> sleeve border the same way.

### **FINISHING**

Weave in all ends. Wash and block the vest to given measurements